MEMORANDUM

DATE: 01/10/2008

SUBJECT: Weekly Report

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TO: Wayne Nastri

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I. Top News Stories of the week

Greka oil spill -- Greka Energy had another oil spill on Saturday, 1/5/08. 600 bbls of oil were spilled that made its way into Zaca creek. The Santa Maria Times, Lompoc Record and the Santa Barbara Independent, KSBY Channel 6, Environmental News Service, Daily Nexus, San Jose Mercury News and Associated Press all have run the story and updates since the weekend. KSBY interviewed Rob Wise on 1/10/08.

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II. Hot issues by State and Tribe

Arizona

Current press releases in progress: Pima/Chavez Asbestos Settlements (est. week of 1/14)

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Greka Oil Spill: Brent Maier received a call from Congresswoman Capp's Santa Barbara District Office staffer Greg Haas on February 7th and 8th who requested updates on EPA's involvement following the latest Greka Oil Spill in Santa Maria Valley. Dan Meer, Chris Weden, Mary Simms and Brent Maier participated in these calls with Mr. Haas to update him on EPA's involvement and answer questions. Mr. Haas asked for copies of Greka's spill history, list of the names of Greka facilities that either have been or will be inspected, and some information on Greka's ownership. Brent will be forwarding this information as it becomes available.

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III. Children's Health/Environmental Education

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IV. Compliance Assurance

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V. Web/Publishing

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VI. Video Communications

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VII. General

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PUBLIC INFORMATION STATS:

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Outreach Material Request(s):

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Congressional Outreach on Press Releases & Fact Sheets: Brent Maier notified Members of Congress regarding the issuance of the following Region IX announcement: 1) Energy Company didn't discover Jan. 5th oil spill for 13 hours; 2) Redacted - Related to Other Matters Redacted - Related to Other Matters **Attachments: Congressional Correspondence Controlled & FOIA** Congressional Correspondence - Controlled by HQ to Region IX Status Number/ Due Member Subject Signature Assigned to Liaison date **Redacted - Related to Other Matters** Letters NOT controlled by HQ - Written Directly to the Region Status Number Member Subject Assigned Due Signature Date Liaison Redacted - Related to Other Matters **Overdue FOIA Assignments** Redacted - Related to Other Matters

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